

combination of:

a plurality of pneumatic pressure generators for generating pneumatic pulses, each generator being actuatable by a patient, said plurality including at least one armable pneumatic generator operative in response to a releasable trigger controlled by a patient for generating a pneumatic pulse, *a tether connected to* *by releasing said trigger*

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conduit including a central control line joined to branch lines in a fluid conducting relation with said plurality of pneumatic generators; and

a pneumatic actuated switch acted upon by pneumatic pulses delivered by said central control line from any of said pneumatic generators.

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3. (Twice Amended) - The system according to claim 1 wherein said at least one armable generator includes a clamp for stationary mounting proximate to a patient bearing area, said [armable generator further including a] releasable trigger *activated by a patient* *being* *operably connected by a tether to a patient for actuation of said trigger* when the travel of the patient exceeds the length of the tether.

#### REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claim 7 and the indication of allowability of dependent claim 3. Claim 1 has been further amended to recite that the armable generator is "operative in response to a releasable trigger controlled by a patient for generating a pneumatic pulse" which language is respectively submitted to patentably distinguish over the Dwyer '285 reference. Neither pneumatic pressure generators 15A and 15B of the Dwyer reference involve the use of a patient controlled